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1. The Soviet Military Authorities reportedly requested from the Hungarian Ministry of Communication a report on the capacity and condition of the Hungarian Danube bridges. This report gave the following details:
  - a. MEDVE: This bridge is only suitable for road and not rail traffic. It is, however, in excellent condition and can take the heaviest vehicles and stand intensive traffic.
  - b. KOMAROM: This bridge can take both rail and road traffic. It has been recently completed and is in excellent condition.
  - c. ESZTERGOM: Can only take road traffic but is in excellent condition.
  - d. BUDAPEST: Northern Railway Bridge as well as the Southern Railway Bridge are only suitable for railway traffic, but are in excellent condition.
  - e. Stalin/Arpad Bridge: Stalin/Arpad Bridge has built-in rails for street cars which allow the bridge to be used for railway trains if necessary. The bridge can take the heaviest road traffic.
  - f. Margit Bridge: The same applies as to the Stalin Bridge.
  - g. Kossuth Bridge: This is an emergency bridge built after the second world war and is not suitable for heavy road traffic.
  - h. Lanchid-Chain Bridge: This bridge has been rebuilt after the war in a heavier construction than the old bridge and is now capable of taking the heaviest road traffic. No rails.

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1. Szabadság  
(Ferenc József)  
Bridge: Szabadság (Ferenc József) Bridge has also been rebuilt for heavier traffic than the old bridge. It has in-laid rails and can therefore take railway traffic as well as the heaviest road traffic.
- j. Petőfi (Horthy)  
Bridge: Petőfi (Horthy) Bridge is being rebuilt in a stronger construction. It can take both railway and the heaviest road traffic. The inlaid rails are for streetcars.
- k. DUNAFÜLDVÁR: This bridge has been constructed so as to take the heaviest rail and road traffic and is in excellent condition.
1. BAJA: The same as applies to the Dunaföldvár Bridge.

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